Stage carriages

*467 Q.—SRI C. KOTHANDARAMA BAGAVATHAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to amend G.O. Ms. No. 3258, Home, dated 15th October 1960 so as to enhance the existing daily mileage limits to 240 miles per day for the stage carriages?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: The matter is under consideration.

Financial assistance to lorry owners

*468 Q.—SRI V. SANKARAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether any proposal for giving financial assistance to the lorry owners through the Industrial Investment Corporation, is under the consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Agro-industries

*469 Q.—SRI V. SANKARAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) the list of small Industries that have been categorised as agro-industries in the State; and

(b) the number and details of such industries that are to be established in the State, in 1966-67?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (a) The following are classified as agro-industries—

(i) the industries set up for manufacturing articles which will help the growth and modernisation of agriculture, animal husbandry, pisiculture and poultry farming; and

(ii) the industries established for processing agricultural produce, and products of pisicultural and animal origin.

(b) The Government have no information about the industries in the private sector. As the Madras Agro-Industries Corporation has been started only recently it is too early to furnish any information about it.

*470 Q.—SRI V. SANKARAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have proposed to set up any Corporation for establishing and running Agro-industries in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?